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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Director, National Foreign Assessment Center

FROM: James R. Lilley
National Intelligence Officer for China. *No*

SUBJECT: Addendum to my memorandum of 20 October 1977,
Subject: Invitation to Ambassador Huang Chen *7 NOV 1977*

1. When you raise with Secretary Vance the subject of inviting Ambassador Huang Chen to meet you before he leaves, I suggest you mention that one subject you wish to discuss with Huang is an invitation to the Chinese to come to the U.S.

2. I have in mind the particular Chinese who escorted George Bush and myself during our recent trip there. The senior Chinese was in intelligence and I had several conversations with him on subjects of mutual interest: The Soviet Economy, the Third World, etc.

3. The trip would be to reciprocate for their hospitality to us. It would enhance our bilateral relations with the Chinese and allow us to pursue a promising relationship.

4. This trip would be handled discreetly but not secretly and would occur next year. They would travel as members of the Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs and we would arrange suitable sponsorship here.

James R. Lilley

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FROM: James R. Lilley
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SUBJECT: Invitation to Ambassador Huang Chen

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1. Action Requested: I recommend you invite Huang Chen the Chinese Communist Ambassador in Washington for lunch or tea before he leaves for China. He is scheduled to leave the second week of November. This matter should be coordinated with Secretary Vance prior to your contacting Huang.

2. Background: You were invited to the Pakistani Ambassador's residence to a farewell dinner for Huang but you were obliged to decline. I believe the Chinese may have tried to set this up to meet you. We may have the beginnings of a relationship which I believe would be in our Government's interest to pursue. My own trip to China placed me in touch with Chinese intelligence officers and we exchanged views on a wide variety of subjects.

3. I suggest I convey your invitation to Huang to the Chinese via my contacts at their Liaison Office here. I would say that although you have not met Huang, you have heard a good deal about him from your predecessor and from General Walters and as a courteous gesture you would like to entertain Huang before he leaves. I believe the Chinese would appreciate this gesture and it would give us a better base to build on.

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4. The only arguments against this would be that you may raise Chinese expectations when we are not prepared to pursue the relationship further. Also the Chinese may reject the invitation. In the latter case, it would be my loss of face, not yours.

5. The meeting would take place at your quarters. As a fallback, you could use my place if the Chinese seemed to prefer a more discreet arrangement.

6. Coordination: NSC/China and DDO/China concur and DDO suggests you may want to include Bill Wells, an old China hand once removed but never forgotten.

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